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SUBJ: ARAB BOYCOTT: QATARI POSITIONS ON ISSUE

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1. IN JAN 22 CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
GOQ ISRAEL BOYCOTT OFFICE, KHALIL J. SHAMMAS, INDICATED THAT
GOQ CONSISTENTLY SOUGHT TO SOFTEN DEMANDS OF OTHER COUNTRIES'
BOYCOTT OFFICES. SHAMMAS SAID THAT GOQ HAD LED IN PUSHING TO
ELIMINATE NEGATIVE CERTIFICATION IN LETTERS OF CREDIT (NOT
REQUIRED BY GOQ BOYCOTT OFFICE SINCE NOV 1969) AND HAD ATTEMPTED
TO ELIMINATE WORDING OFFENSIVE TO U.S. FROM PROVISIONS CONCERN-
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ING SHIPPING AND INSURANCE BUT HAD AGAIN BEEN OUTVOTED AT LAST
GENERAL CONFERENCE.

2. SHAMMAS PRODUCED LETTER ADDRESSED TO ALL BANKS OPERATING IN
QATAR DIRECTING THEM TO DELETE PASSAGES FROM LETTERS OF CREDIT
CONCERNING ISRAELI ORIGIN OF GOODS AND REPLACE WITH CLAUSE
INDICATING COUNTRY OF ORIGIN. SHAMMAS INDICATED THAT THIS LETTER

SENT NOV 1969 BUT SOME BANKS CONTINUED TO INSERT OLD LANGUAGE. ACCORDING TO SHAMMAS, SUCH LANGUAGE IS STRUCK FROM LETTERS OF CREDIT AS THEY PASS THROUGH HIS OFFICE. ACCORDING TO SHAMMAS, GOQ ACTION IN ACCORDANCE TO GENERAL PRACTICE OF BOYCOTTING COUNTRIES BUT THAT GOQ WAS FIRST TO TAKE SUCH ACTION.

3. SHAMMAS ASSERTED THAT AT LAST MEETING OF BOYCOTT LIAISON OFFICERS (OCT 76), GOQ HAD TRIED TO CONVINCE OTHER REPRESENTATIVES TO SOFTEN LANGUAGE ON SHIPPING BY ELIMINATING CLAUSE WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT SHIP WOULD NOT CALL ON ISRAELI PORTS DURING CURRENT TRIP. QATARIS WANTED TO REPLACE THIS CLAUSE WITH ONE ASKING FOR LIST OF PORTS OF CALL. ACCORDING TO SHAMMAS, THIS WOULD ALLOW CERTIFYING AUTHORITIES TO MAKE DECISIONS RELEVANT TO BOYCOTT RATHER THAN FORCING U.S. COMPANIES TO COMPLY WITH BOYCOTT RULES. QATAR WAS, ACCORDING TO SHAMMAS, OUTVOTED BY A LARGE MAJORITY AND LEFT THE SUBJECT FOR ANOTHER DAY.
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